

MADERA COUNTY

PAID CALL DRIVER OPERATOR EXTRA HELP

DEFINITION

Under general supervision, to safely drive and operate any piece of fire/emergency equipment utilized by the department; to provide firefighting and rescue operations support in response to fires, disasters, and other emergency incidents in serving to protect both life and property; and to perform other related duties as required.

SUPERVISION EXERCISED

May exercise technical and functional supervision over lower level staff.

DISTINGUISHING CHARACTERISTICS

The incumbent is required to safely drive and operate a rated fire engine or water tender, to respond to emergency incidents and provide community service assistance as necessary under the supervision of the fire station manager and/or Incident Commander, and to effectively perform the tasks described in the Paid Call Firefighter job description. This position supervises extra help Paid Call Firefighters assigned to the apparatus when responding to emergencies, at the scene or upon return to the fire station.

Incumbents are required to maintain minimum certifications and mental and physical agility standards and qualifications as established by State, Federal, and Fire Department policy. Additionally, incumbents will be required to successfully complete and maintain the required minimum criteria for emergency response and training as established in the Fire Department Policy. Paid Call Driver Operators perform duties comparable to that of a regular full-time professional Engineer or Engine Operator.

EXAMPLES OF IMPORTANT AND ESSENTIAL DUTIES

Responds to fire, medical, and other emergency alarms by driving assigned automotive equipment to appropriate location; utilizes special equipment and responds to structural and wildland fires, vehicle accidents, rescues and medical aid emergency calls; performs rescue, entry, ventilation, and salvage work; performs post fire or disaster clean-up and overhaul work; directs incoming emergency traffic to standby operations; performs emergency lifesaving activities; extracts victims from accidents using rescue tools; trains and supervises the work of PCF company members under emergency and/or non-emergency conditions; assumes command and control of an emergency incident until relieved by the appropriate personnel; assists full-time staff in the administration of a PCF stand alone fire station; assists full-time staff in the investigation and fire cause determination process; assists in the maintenance and care for fire apparatus, equipment, fire station buildings, and grounds; keeps records and prepares reports as required; participates in continuing training; participates in company drills, and attends specialized training sessions; assists with Fire Prevention and Education programs.

OTHER JOB RELATED DUTIES

Performs related duties and responsibilities as assigned.

JOB RELATED AND ESSENTIAL QUALIFICATIONS

Knowledge of:

Modern fire prevention and suppression methods.
Firefighting principles and techniques.
Operation, maintenance, and mechanics of firefighting equipment.
Basic emergency medical care, practices and techniques.
Principles of supervision and training.

Skill to:

Operate emergency equipment skillfully and safely, abiding by all established traffic laws and Fire Department policies.
Operate a motor vehicle safely.

Ability to:

Learn modern fire investigative techniques and procedures.
Skillfully utilize fire suppression and prevention methods and techniques.
Analyze situations quickly and objectively, and determine proper course of action.
Act quickly and calmly in emergencies.
Perform all designated firefighting and disaster response tasks under hazardous or dangerous conditions that may require a high level of physical exertion.
Supervise and train PCF company members under emergency and/or non-emergency conditions.
Maintain minimum certifications and qualifications as established by State, Federal, and Fire Department policy.
Meet the Fire Department's established minimum criteria for emergency response and training.
Meet the physical requirements necessary to safely and effectively perform the assigned duties.
Maintain a valid California driver's license and medical certification appropriate for the class of vehicle qualified to operate.
Maintain a Department of Motor Vehicle driving record in accordance with Fire Department policy.
Understand and carry out oral and written directions.
Deal tactfully, courteously and effectively with the general public.
Prepare clear and concise reports.

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Ability to: (continued)

Work and live harmoniously with a group of people over extended periods of time.
Establish, maintain, and foster positive and harmonious working relationships with those contacted in the course of work.

Experience and Training Guidelines:

Any combination equivalent to experience and training that would provide the required knowledge, skills, and abilities would be qualifying. A typical way to obtain the knowledge, skills, and abilities would be:

Experience:

One year experience equivalent to that of an Extra-Help Madera County Paid Call Firefighter.

Education:

Equivalent to the completion of the twelfth grade.

License or Certificate:

Possession of a valid California Firefighter Restricted driver's license or an appropriate Commercial driver's license.

Special Requirements:

Essential duties require the following physical skills and work environment:

Ability to sit, stand, walk, run, kneel, crouch, stoop, squat, crawl, twist, climb; exposure to cold, heat, noise, outdoors, chemicals, explosive materials, mechanical hazards, and electrical hazards; ability to travel to different sites and locations; availability for shift work, on-call, and stand-by.

Must meet physical, background, and job related standards as established by the State of California and Madera County to ensure safety of department personnel and the general public.

As a condition of continued employment, incumbents must maintain current driver operator certification and must meet minimum County training standards.

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